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CLOSE SEASON ON LOBSTERS.

Recommended by Capt. Procter
of State Police.

Suggests That Construction of
Traps Be Regulated.

State Officer Procter, in charge of the patrol boat Lexington, makes an interesting report, which is incorporated as part of the report of Chief Shaw of the state police, in which he suggests that the only way to protect the lobster fishery is to make a close season from July to January, or to regulate the construction of lobster traps. Some of the difficulties under which the captain has labored may be noted in his report which is substantially as follows:

"The presence of menhaden steamers in and around Buzzard's Bay has kept the steamer in that vicinity during the entire season. The fish have been very plentiful, and, while there has not been any attempt to set a seine in the bay, they have fished in the passages leading thereto, and kept me constantly on the watch.

"On one occasion a steamer's crew set their net in Quicks Hole, while the tide was running in Buzzard's bay, and secured between 700 and 800 barrels of fish. Before they could have bailed the fish on board the steamer, the tide would have taken the seine and fish into the bay.

"As they were drifting in, the smoke-stack of the steamer Lexington came to their view and they cut their purse lines and let the fish go.

"On several occasions steamers would come through Quicks Hole or across the mouth of Buzzard's bay, which was alive with schools of fish, but on seeing the state steamer would retire to other waters.

"I have been unable to spend any time in the enforcement of the lobster law, as I am the only person on board who has police authority and consequently would have to make all the arrests, as well as navigate the boat, which requires my presence at all times without anybody to detail on a complaint or to act in my absence.

"Lobsters are growing scarcer every year, and will continue to do so under the present law. All fishermen are catching and using all the lobsters they catch, and, while a few of them are caught and fined, they stay in the business and continue to catch the little ones just the same. I have had one fisherman in the court five times, and he has served time in jail, but this same man is catching little lobsters today.

"The only way, in my opinion, to protect the lobster fishery is to make a close season from July to January, or to regulate the construction of the lobster traps. Either of these laws can be readily enforced; every fisherman will have an equal chance, and the lobster will have some protection."

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QUICK WORK.

Slade Gorton & Co.'s Men Hustle
on Frozen Herring.

The record for quick taking out of frozen herring was made at this port yesterday, when as a day's work some of the employees of Slade Gorton & Co., took out from the British sch. Aldine and put into barrels for shipment to Boston, 459 barrels or 91,800 pounds of frozen herring. This is the quickest discharge of a frozen herring cargo on record, and as a day's work will probably stand for some time to come.

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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Lottie G. Merchant, Bay of Islands, 800 bbls. frozen herring, 110 bbls. salt herring.
Sch. Stranger, shore.

Today's Fish Market.

Board of Trade prices for salt and fresh fish:

Salt fish, handline Georges cod, \$4.90 per cwt. for large, \$4.00 for medium; trawl Georges cod, \$4.25 for large, \$3.25 for medium; trawl Bank cod, \$4.00 for large, \$3.50 for medium; hake, \$1.25; pollock, \$1.25; haddock, \$1.75; large cusk, \$2.50.

Fresh fish, large cod, \$2.15; medium cod, \$1.75; all cod caught to the eastward of La-Have bank, \$2.15, medium \$1.75; cusk, \$1.50; Eastern haddock, \$1; Western haddock, \$1.15; hake, 90 cts.; Eastern hake, 90 cts.; Western hake, 95 cts.; pollock, 70c; snap per codfish, 60 cts.; snapper cusk, 40 cts.

Outside sales salt Georges cod, \$5.50 per cwt. for large and \$5.00 for mediums.

Outside sales fresh hake, \$1.00.

Bank halibut, 14 cts. per lb. for white and 10 cts. per lb. for gray.

Boston.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, 6000 haddock, 500 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. M. Madeleine, 5000 haddock, 9000 cod, 500 pollock.

Sch. Teresa and Alice, 2800 haddock, 400 cod, 5000 hake, 300 pollock.

Sch. Tecumseh, 400 haddock, 1500 cod, 1000 hake, 800 pollock.

Sch. Rose Standish, 1400 haddock, 4300 cod, 2600 hake, 800 pollock.

Haddock, \$6; large cod, \$6; market cod, \$6; hake, \$4.50; pollock, \$4.50.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Joseph W. Lufkin arrived at Liverpool on Saturday.

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SALT HERRING TAKEN UP.

Committee Reports None Are
Now on the Market.

Successful Fruition of Well Formulated and Executed Plan.

It is with a feeling of no little pleasure and congratulation to the committee which successfully carried out the programme of handling all the vast amount of salt herring brought here this season from Newfoundland, for the benefit of all concerned, that it can now be stated that the plan as formulated and acted upon has proved successful even to the last barrel.

The receipts of salt herring from Newfoundland this season have been the largest on record, aggregating hard upon 70,000 barrels, yet when the committee, which held a meeting on Tuesday, adjourned, it was able to state that the last of the herring had been divided up and there were none on the market.

Only one lot of any size remains to arrive and this is already sold. All the salt herring now here will be taken out right away. This is certainly a grand showing and one in which all who were in any way concerned, the committee, dealers, owners and all can justly feel proud.

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Sch. Mary E. Silveria, shore.
Sch. Minerva, shore.
Sch. Galatea, shore.
Sch. Evelyn L. Smith, shore.
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, shore.
Sch. Motor, shore.
Sch. Viking, shore.
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, shore.
Sch. Catherine D. Enos, shore.
Sch. Vera, shore.

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Boston.

Sch. Valentinna, 1000 haddock, 1500 cod, 7000 hake, 100 pollock.

Sch. Ida M. Silva, 12,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Two Forty, 2000 haddock, 500 cod.

Sch. Francis J. O'Hara, Jr., 35,000 haddock, 1000 hake.

Haddock, \$2.75 to \$4; large cod, \$5 to \$5.50; market cod, \$4.50; hake, \$3.50; pollock, \$3.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Senator was at Halifax on Monday.

Sch. Maud M. Story put into Halifax for shelter yesterday. She was bound to Point aux Baques.

Sch. James and Ella, Ipswich for Boston.

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Boston.

Sch. Juniata, few cod.

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Representative McIntire Re-
newed His Battle Today.

HE INTRODUCED RESOLUTION.

Wants State Appropriation for
Statistics To Help National Bill.

Resolve to authorize the collection of statistics in regard to damage caused to food fish by predatory fish.

Whereas, there is pending in Congress a bill to provide for the extermination of dogfish and other predatory fish, and whereas, to secure favorable action upon said bill, it is necessary that evidence of the damage caused by these fish be prepared and presented in proper form.

Now therefore, be it resolved, that there be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the Commonwealth a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, to be expended under the direction of the commissioners of fisheries and game for the purpose of collecting, preparing and printing evidence and statistics in regard to the damage caused the fishing industry of the state by dogfish, so called, and other sharks which prey upon food fish.

Representative McIntire of this city has taken the first active step of the year against the dogfish pest, by introducing the above resolve in the legislature, this forenoon. After careful investigation, looking the field over in every direction and consulting with well-informed men, Mr. McIntire came to the conclusion that this step was the only practical way of accomplishing anything. After corresponding with parties in Washington, he learned that as the present session of congress would be an exceedingly busy and short one, the chances of the national dogfish bill coming up for final action were exceedingly remote. Mr. McIntire also was convinced that it would be of no use for parties to go to Washington in the interest of the bill unless armed

with facts and figures, and these, under existing circumstances, could not be obtained.

As a result Mr. McIntire found that there is support of the measure needed statistics, for it must be shown just how much of a pest and a detriment to the fisheries the dogfish is. For months he has been diligently at work on the matter, probing in every corner to find what the sentiment was, and he found plenty of backing.

Among those he interviewed was the late Capt. J. W. Collins, chairman of the Massachusetts Fish and Game Commission, under the direction of which Mr. McIntire's resolve provides that the research shall be made, who

REPRESENTATIVE EDWIN C. MCINTIRE.

heartily endorsed the proposed legislation, and Dr. Field, Capt. Collins' successor, is also a firm advocate of the resolve.

Mr. McIntire has interviewed the Cape Cod delegation, and has found that to a man that they will support him.

Not alone has Mr. McIntire devoted his energies toward securing his desired legislation in this state, but his plans have been far reaching, continually planning to strengthen the support in behalf of the national dogfish bill. He has interested Hon. A. R. Nickerson, Commissioner of Fisheries and Game of Maine, and the chances are bright for the Maine legislature adopting a similar measure as Mr. McIntire has introduced in the Massachusetts house, making it possible for the two great fishing states to fight hand in hand and present a strong, joint case in Washington when the time comes.

Mr. McIntire is also interesting parties in the matter on the Pacific coast, and learns that even so far away as Washington territory, the fishermen are greatly bothered by sharks causing an extensive loss in their business.

In an interview with a Times representative, Mr. McIntire said:

"If the supporters of national legislation to do away with the dogfish should go to Washington with a flimsy case, why, it would be all up with the matter and the proposed bill would be killed. I know that that we will have to have statistics which are the strongest and most convincing argument, and these must be obtained only as provided by my resolve. In fact what other way would there be of doing it? I surely believe that we will have plenty of time to prepare our case, as undoubtedly Congress will not touch the dogfish bill this session, and in case it did, there is no reason why we could not have it carried over. Then, if my resolve goes through all right, a year from now we will be armed with convincing facts and figures, which will speak for themselves, and what are needed in Washington. From what I hear I believe that there will be but little if any opposition to my measure."

WEEKLY FISH MARKET.

The fish market this week shows no changes in prices and trade shows some little improvement. The great salt herring receipts have been taken care of and frozen herring are now in good supply. Several cargoes have been bought by Boston parties to arrive and New York has also bought one cargo to arrive. Trade in frozen herring and also at Philadelphia reported good. Latest information from Bay of Islands is that all the vessels there will get loads and get away before the Arctic ice floe comes down. At Fortune Bay the outlook is discouraging and it is doubtful if the eight vessels there get one cargo between them. Herring have been very scarce there all the season. Continued bad weather has caused light receipts of ground fish and prices rule good.

The ceipits at this p ort for the week ending today are

13,000 lbs. salt cod.
17,500 lbs. fresh cod.
6500 lbs. hake.
106,000 lbs. haddock.
2011 bbls salt herring.
5987 Bbls. frozen herring.
6000 lbs. cusk.
2000 lbs. pollock.
23,000 lbs. halibut.

Salt Fish from Vessel.

	Board of Trade Prices	Outside Sales
Large Georges cod (handline)	4.90	5.50
Medium Georges cod (handline)	4.00	5.00
Large Georges cod (trawl)	4.25	4.75
Medium Georges cod (trawl)	3.25	4.00
Large handline cod from deck caught east of Cape Sable		
Medium do.	4.00	4.75
Large trawl bank cod	3.50	4.25
Medium trawl bank cod		4.75
Large dory handline cod		4.25
Medium do.		

Fresh Fish from Vessel (To Split.)

All large cod caught on La Have bank and to the westward	2.15	2.45
Medium do.	1.75	2.00
All large cod caught to the eastward of La Have Bank	2.15	2.45
Medium do.	1.75	2.00
Cusk	1.50	2.00
Eastern Haddock	1.00	1.15
Western Haddock	1.15	1.20
Eastern Hake	.90	1.00
Western hake,	.95	1.00
Pollock	.70	.70

Other Prices from Vessel.

Hake sounds, 4 cts. per lb.
Livers, soft 30 cts. per bucket; hard, 30 cts. per bucket.
Fresh Bank halibut (white) 10 cts. per lb.
Fresh Bank halibut (gray) 8 cts. per lb.
Georges halibut, 10 cts and 8 cts. per lb. for white and gray.
Newfoundland salt herring \$3.50 per bbl.
Bay of Islands, N. F., trawl salt cod, \$5 1-8 per cwt.
Maine coast frozen qerring \$2.50 per cwt.

Local Quotations of Cured Fish.

Cured Large Georges cod	\$7.50 to 8.00	per qtl.
Cured Medium Georges cod	6.50	
Cured large Bank cod	6.50	
Cured Medium Bank cod	6.00	
Kench cured large Bank cod	6.50	
Kench cured medium Bank cod	6.00	
Cured large shore cod	6.50	
Cured medium shore cod	5.75	
Cured cusk	5.00	
Cured hake	2.25	
Cured haddock	4.00	
Heavy salted pollock	2.75	
English cured pollock	3.75	
Large handline bank	6.25	
Medium handline bank	5.75	

Mackerel.

Shore 1s	\$18	per bbl.
Shore extra 1s	20	per bbl.
Shore bloaters	22	per bbl.
Nova Scotias	13.50	per bbl.
Prince Edward Island	15	per bbl.
Norway bloaters	34	per bbl.
Norway 1s	27	per bbl.
Norway 2s	19	per bbl.
New Irish	12.50 to 13	per bbl.